

17/E  
B. Webb  
6/26/03

Patent  
Attorney's Docket No. 000515-175

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this correspondence is being transmitted by facsimile to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, facsimile number, 1.703.872.9302, on this 13th day of June, 2003.



Donnie S. Dietrich

Date: June 13, 2003

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of }  
Ulla Olofsson et al. } Group Art Unit: 3761  
Application No.: 09/446,395 } Examiner: WEBB, J.  
Filed: December 22, 1999 } Confirmation No.: 2263  
For: LIQUID-PERMEABLE COVER }  
SHEET FOR ABSORBENT ARTICLE }

**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 18, 2003, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please replace claims 1-11 with the following:

1. (Twice Amended) A liquid-permeable cover sheet for an absorbent article, which cover sheet comprises at least a first material layer, wherein a surface of the first material layer essentially consists of polyethylene which has been treated with plasma or corona to obtain a hydrophilic surface, and said surface of the first material layer has an oxygen/carbon ratio which is equal to or higher than 0.23.